

# **Browning Branch Library**

#### **BTOP Public Computing Center Goals and Objectives**

Montana's project promotes three BTOP statutory purposes:

- provide improved access to broadband service to consumers residing in underserved areas of the country;
- 2) provide broadband education, awareness, training, access, equipment, and support to libraries; and,
- 3) stimulate the demand for broadband, economic growth, and job creation.

#### **Objectives**

- 1) increase broadband speeds at participating libraries up to 21 mbps;
- cut wait times in half by increasing the total number of workstations and expanding library operation hours;
- improve access by purchasing ADA compliant software, hardware, and furniture, and through minor renovation projects aimed at increasing accessibility of computing center facilities;
- 4) offer courses to increase computer literacy; and
- provide Internet and library resources to rural Montana using a mobile computer lab.

#### Successes

Internet Service Provider	Original Broadband Speed	Current Speed (mbps)
3 Rivers	1.00	7.00

#### Browning Branch Library Computing Center Now Offers...

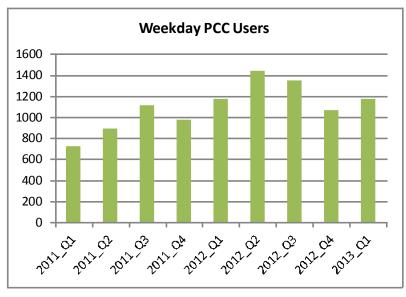
- ♦ 1 desktop computer
- 2 laptop computers
- ◆ 1 touchscreen computers
- ♦ 1 children's computer
- ♦ 2 LaserJet printers
- ♦ 1 projector
- ◆ 1 presentation screen
- ♦ ZoomText 10 low vision software
- ZoomText Camera with stand
- ♦ 1 low dexterity mouse
- ♦ 1 low vision keyboard

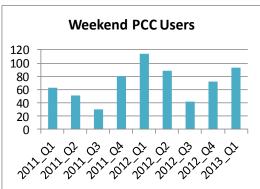
- ♦ 1 Bierley magnification mouse
- ♦ 4 headphone sets
- ♦ 1 privacy screen
- ♦ iPad
- ♦ Kindle Keyboard
- ♦ Kindle Fire
- ♦ Nook Tablet
- ♦ Samsung Galaxy Tab
- Google Nexus
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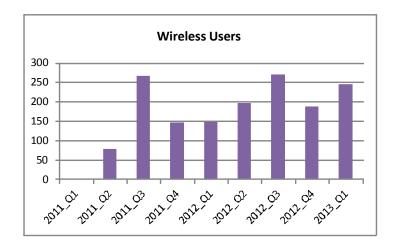
- > Everyone was invited to
  "Tame the Wild, Wild
  Web" at the Browning
  Branch Library for our
  open house on Weds.,
  4/25/12 featuring the
  new computers we
  received through the
  BTOP grant. We set up
  our grant laptop and
  showed everyone the
  Homework MT site.
- > On Friday, May 4, 2012, the Browning Branch Library partnered with the Blackfeet Community College to present a demonstration booth at the Browning Middle School from 3 to 5 p.m. Kathy McDaniel of the Browning Branch set up a BTOP grant laptop.

### Public Computer Center Usage





#### Patrons who have taken advantage of public wireless access



## Benefitting from Technology Training

Length of Program (per hour basis)	Number of Patron Training Hours	Number of Library Staff Training Hours
3.48	659	4